



## **JOB DESCRIPTION**

Title: **FIREFIGHTER I**  
Department: Fire  
Class Code: 4250  
FLSA Status: Non-Exempt  
Effective Date: July 1, 1982 (Rev. 07/2008)  
Grade Number: 15

### **GENERAL PURPOSE**

Under general supervision from the Captain; works as a member of a firefighting team, and helps control hazardous fires; provides other kinds of emergency assistance to the public as circumstances require.

### **EXAMPLE OF DUTIES**

- \*-- Lays hose lines, operates nozzles, pumps and hydrants; utilizes fire extinguishers and performs other actions to suppress fire; operates hydraulic, pneumatic, manual and power tools.
- \*-- Participates in salvage operation and post fire clean-up; uses salvage covers, floor runners and other related equipment to reduce property damage from heat, smoke, fire gases, and water.
- \*-- Participates in drills and training sessions as directed.
- \*-- Participates in company inspections of commercial and residential properties; checks operating conditions of fire hydrants.
- \*-- Cleans and performs general maintenance of fire equipment and fire stations.
- \*-- Responds to scenes of accidents or acute illness for which emergency medical care has been requested.
- \*-- Responds to hazardous materials incidents at operations level; responds to other calls for service as requested by the public.
- \*-- Participates in public education programs in schools, civic groups and other locations as requested.

- \*-- Performs basic record keeping functions, both written and computerized.
- Drives and operates fire apparatus under the direction of the station officer.
- \*-- Participates in physical training and department physical testing; responds, if possible, to off-duty fires and emergencies as paged.
- Performs related duties as required.

## **MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS**

### Education and Experience

- Must have high school diploma or the equivalent (GED).

### Special Requirements

- EMT-B certification required.
- Firefighter I certification within the first year of hiring.
- Must possess a valid Utah Drivers license and be able to obtain CDL Class B Drivers license within six (6) months of hire date.

### Necessary Knowledge, Skills and Abilities

- Some knowledge of firefighting methods and techniques; some knowledge of the construction of buildings; some knowledge of hazardous substances and their control; some knowledge of emergency medical procedures.
- Ability to follow both written and oral communication; ability to communicate verbally and in writing; ability to utilize appropriate fire equipment; ability to exercise appropriate safety tactics in firefighting and medical emergencies.

## **TOOLS & EQUIPMENT USED**

- Fire pumps, SCBA, hoses, and other standard firefighting equipment, ladders, first aid equipment, radio, vehicle, personal protective gear, personal computer.

## **PHYSICAL DEMANDS**

The physical demands described here are representative of those that must be met by an employee to successfully perform the essential functions of this job. Reasonable accommodations may be made to enable individuals with disabilities to perform the essential functions.

- While performing the duties of this job, the employee is frequently required to sit; talk or hear; stand; walk; use hands to finger, handle, or operate objects, tools, or controls; and reach with hands and arms. The employee is occasionally required to climb or balance; stoop, kneel, crouch, or crawl; and taste or smell.
- The employee must frequently lift and/or move up to 25 pounds and occasionally lift and/or move up to 100 pounds. Specific vision abilities required by this job include close vision, distance vision, color vision, peripheral vision, depth perception, and the ability to adjust focus.

## **WORK ENVIRONMENT**

The work environment characteristics described here are representative of those an employee encounters while performing the essential functions of this job. Reasonable accommodations may be made to enable individuals with disabilities to perform the essential functions.

- While performing the duties of this job, the employee regularly works in outside weather conditions, including temperature extremes, during day and night shifts. Work is often performed in emergency and stressful situations. Individual is exposed to hearing alarms and hazards associated with fighting fires and rendering emergency medical assistant, including smoke, noxious odors, fumes, chemicals, liquid chemicals, solvents and oils.
- The employee occasionally works near moving mechanical parts and in high precarious places and is occasionally exposed to wet and/or humid conditions, fumes or airborne particles, toxic or caustic chemicals, risk of electrical shock, and vibration. The noise level in the work environment is usually moderate, except during certain firefighting or EMT/Paramedic activities when noise levels may be loud.

DEPT/DIVISION APPROVED BY: \_\_\_\_\_ DATE: \_\_\_\_\_

EMPLOYEE'S SIGNATURE: \_\_\_\_\_ DATE: \_\_\_\_\_

H. R. DEPT. APPROVED BY: \_\_\_\_\_ DATE: \_\_\_\_\_

\*Essential functions of the job.